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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: George Kolt  
National Intelligence Officer for Europe

SUBJECT: Follow-on to the 28 August NSC Meeting on Poland

1. After the meeting I spoke with Paula Dobriansky, the NSC staffer on Poland. She expects that in a week or so State will send her its evaluation of how complete and reasonable the amnesty has been. She then plans to circulate it to the Agencies for comment before having it forwarded to Mr. McFarlane and the President for a final decision.

2. Paula also expressed hope that other Agencies, primarily State, would pick up Mr. McFarlane's suggestion at the meeting to devise a more comprehensive approach to Poland than just a step-by-step removal of sanctions. I told her that our thoughts ran along similar lines and suggested that this might be a good discussion item between you and Mr. McFarlane. I recommend that you put it on the agenda for your next meeting with Mr. McFarlane. To that end I have slightly revised the paper I gave you on Monday the 27th dealing with "possible elements of a more comprehensive US approach towards Poland." You may also want to discuss it with Secretary Shultz.

  
George Kolt

Attachment:  
Talking Points

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: George Kolt  
National Intelligence Officer for Europe

SUBJECT: Update Talking Points for 28 August NSC Meeting on  
Poland and the IMF

1. We have now received the promised issues papers for the NSC meeting and they turn out to be not a joint but separate State and Treasury papers (Tab B).

2. As expected, the underlying assumption in the State paper is that US approval of the resumption of IMF negotiations over Polish membership is just a matter of time. Thus the last paragraph states that "once we have determined that the amnesty decision has been completely and reasonably implemented . . .", we should inform our Allies, Poland, and the public that the IMF negotiations may start. A draft press statement to that effect is attached. Unfortunately for State, events in Poland over the weekend have not gone in a positive direction. As of Friday it seemed that only two prisoners (Lis and Mierzejewski) might face charges that would exempt them from the amnesty. Now the Polish government has announced that 630 prisoners have been freed but that 22 were still being held on charges not affected by the amnesty. State also downplays the warnings that have already been issued to some recently released prisoners and the possibility of rearrests. State's paper therefore is too optimistic.

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3. Treasury's paper concentrates on the financial situation and reveals considerable concern over the reactivation of Poland's application. It evinces doubt that Poland would provide the required data or implement fully IMF membership obligations; shows unease about increasing East European participation in the IMF; and notes the Congressionally-required Treasury certification that IMF membership would provide, inter alia, a basis for correcting a new member's balance of payments problems and for advancing market-oriented forces. Treasury wryly comments that "implementation of this legislative requirement for Poland could pose serious problems."

4. Except for an update on the prisoner situation (as shown in the Attachment and already inserted in your book) your talking points do not seem to require modification. The talking points on the political situation are more comprehensive and balanced than State's analysis. Those on the financial situation overlap slightly with Treasury's on Poland's position vis-a-vis IMF and on the likely course of the application process but provide much more detailed financial data on Poland's current situation and on possible implications of IMF membership.



George Kolt

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**SUBJECT: NSC Meeting on Poland's IMF Membership, August 28 (S)**

**A National Security Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 28, 1984, at 11:00 a.m. in the Cabinet Room, to review our position on Polish IMF membership in light of Poland's recent implementation of the amnesty. Agency principal plus one are invited. (S)**

*Robert M. Kimmitt*  
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